# Teaching Neurodivergent Children - I'm Neurodivergent Too

For many years, I have lived with a documented disability. It has given me a personal understanding of what it feels like to learn differently, face challenges that others may not see, and develop strategies for success.

I am also the father of two wonderful daughters who are now both in college. Raising them has been the greatest privilege of my life. As a father living with a disability, I learned that children thrive when they are surrounded by patience, encouragement, consistency, and unconditional love.

I am incredibly proud of the compassionate, resilient, and hardworking young women they have become. My experiences as both a parent and an educator continue to shape the way I teach, reminding me that every child deserves to be seen for their strengths and given the opportunity to grow with confidence.

My experience has helped me become a more patient teacher, a more attentive listener, and someone who believes deeply in the abilities of neurodivergent children. Every child deserves to be met with respect, high expectations, and genuine encouragement.